Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-2 (cancelled)

1 Claim 3 (currently amended): A receiver ~~having~~

2 comprising:

3 a receiving section for receiving a program, attribute

4 information of said program, and meaning information

5 indicating the meaning and contents of said attribute

6 information,

7 a user attribute storing section for storing user

8 attributes that are ~~the~~ attributes of a viewer, and

9 an accumulation control section for storing part or

10 whole of said program according to said attribute

11 information that is interpreted based on said meaning

12 information and said user attributes.

1 Claim 4 (original): A receiver according to Claim 3,

2 further having a separating section for separating said

3 program, said attribute information, and said meaning

4 information received by said receiving section.

1   **Claim 5 (currently amended):** A receiver according to

2   Claim 3, ~~characterized in that it further has~~ further

3   comprising an accumulation control function receiving

4   section for receiving a function program for executing a

5   function of accumulating part or whole of said program and

6   in that said accumulation control section operates based on

7   said function program received by said accumulation control

8   function receiving section.

1   **Claim 6 (currently amended):** A receiver according to

2   Claim 5, wherein the means of said accumulation control

3   function receiving section for receiving said function

4   program is means for receiving a broadcast, the receiver

5   further having a determining section for determining

6   whether said accumulation control function receiving

7   section has failed to receive said function program from

8   said broadcast or not and an accumulation control function

9   acquiring section for acquiring said function program

10   through a network when said determining section determines

11   that the reception has failed.

1   **Claim 7 (currently amended):** A receiver according to

2   Claim 5 or Claim 6, further having a distribution time

3   receiving section for receiving the time of distribution of

4   said function program, wherein said accumulation control

5   function receiving section performs the receiving operation

6   at a point in time associated with said distribution time.

Claims 8-9 (cancelled)

1   Claim 10 (currently amended): A method of reception

2   including

3   a step of receiving a program, attribute information

4   of said program, and meaning information indicating the

5   meaning and contents of said attribute information,

6   a step of acquiring user attributes that are the

7   attributes of a viewer from a user attribute storing

8   section for storing the same, and

9   a step of storing part or whole of said program

10   according to said attribute information that is interpreted

11   based on said meaning information and said user attributes.

1   Claim 11 (original): A method of reception according

2   to Claim 10 further including a step of separating said

3   program, said attribute information, and said meaning

4   information received by said receiving section.

1   Claim 12 (currently amended): A method of reception

2   according to Claim 10, characterized in that it further

3   includes further comprising a step of receiving a function

4   program for executing a function of accumulating part or

5   whole of said program and a step of executing the function

6   of accumulating part or whole of said program based on said

7   received <u>function</u> program.

1   **Claim 13 (currently amended):** A method of reception

2   according to Claim 12, wherein the step of receiving said

3   <u>function</u> program further includes a step of receiving a

4   broadcast, said method further including a step of

5   determining whether the reception of said <u>function</u> program

6   from said broadcast has failed or not and a step of

7   acquiring said <u>function</u> program through a network when it

8   is determined that the reception of said <u>function</u> program

9   has failed.

1   **Claim 14 (currently amended):** A method of reception

2   according to Claim 12 or Claim 13, further including a step

3   of receiving the time of distribution of said <u>function</u>

4   program and a step of performing the operation of receiving

5   said <u>function</u> program at a point in time associated with

6   said distribution time.